



# Trellis Design & Modification for Climate Adaption Sonoma Grape Day 2023

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# Adapting wine grape production to climate change through canopy architecture manipulation and irrigation in warm climates

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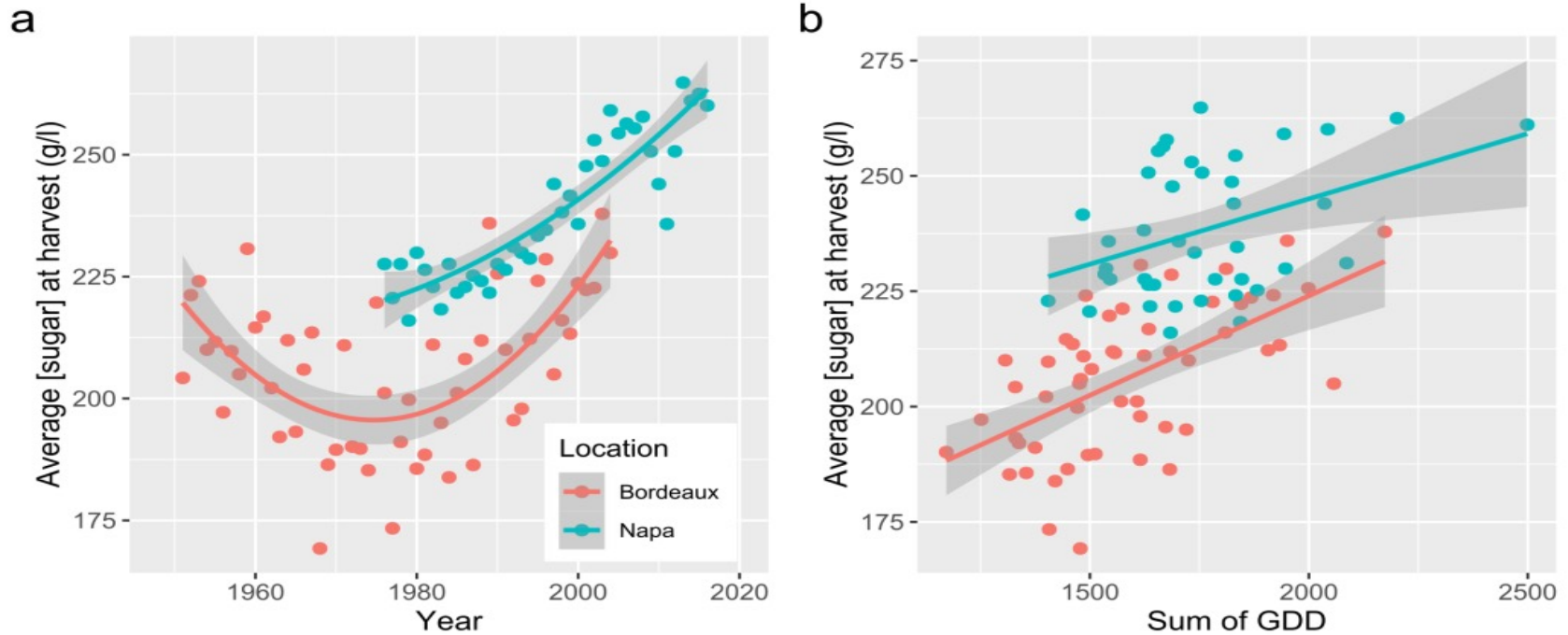
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# Climate change and wine grape production



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Warming trend in many wine producing regions

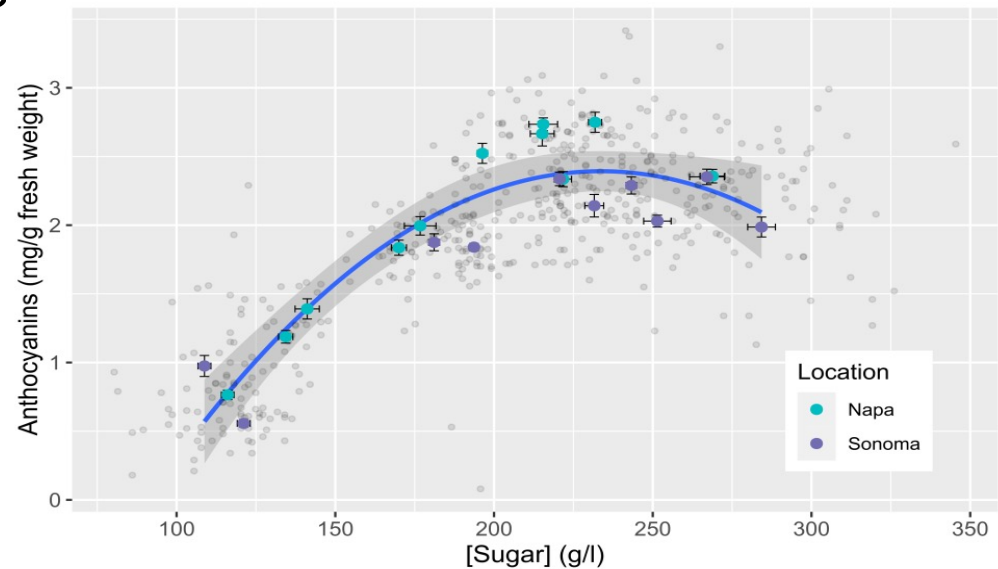
Increase in Brix at harvest correlated with increase in GDD

# Climate change and wine grape production

Increase in berry sugar content decouples from anthocyanin due to degradation

More intense and frequent heat waves predicted in climate projections (Wild 2016)

Damage to grapes from overexposure will inevitably increase in the coming decades



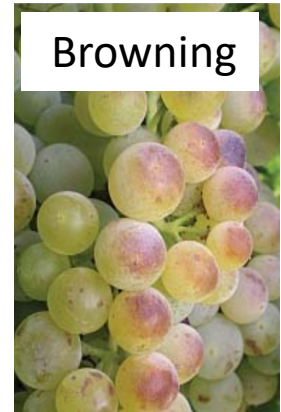
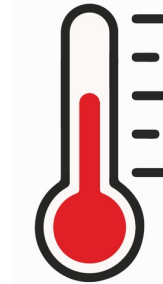
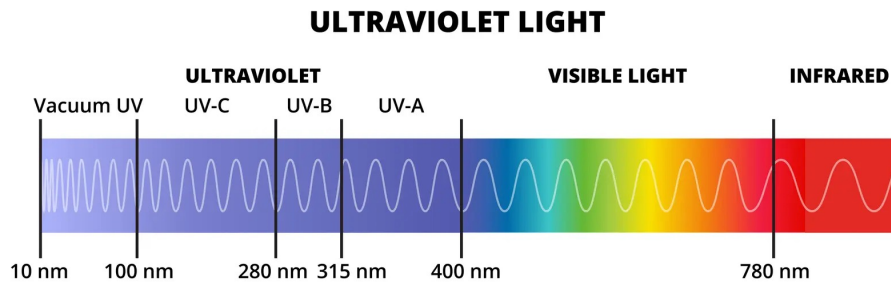
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# Overexposure of berry clusters

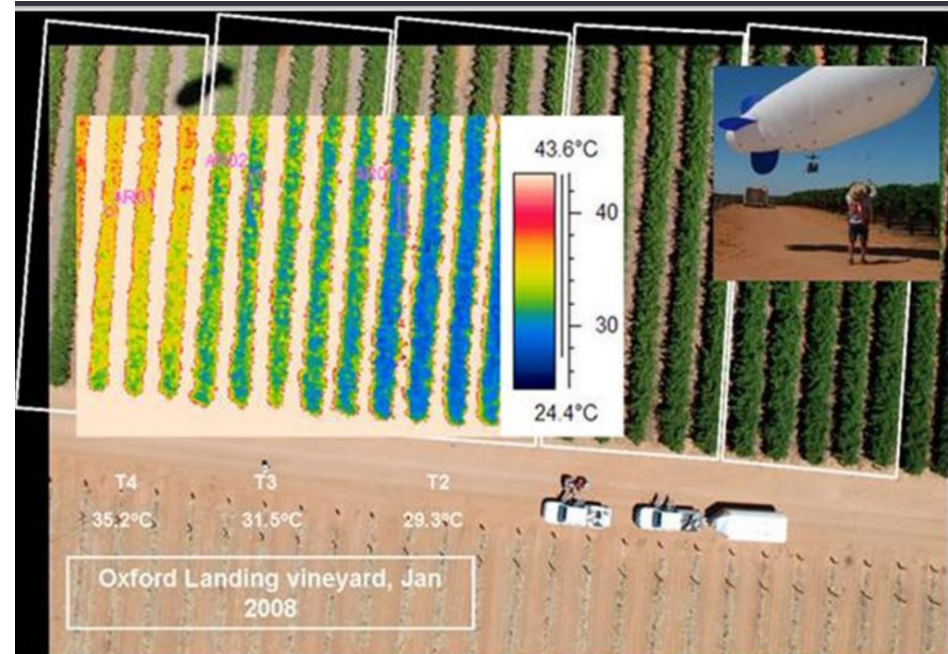
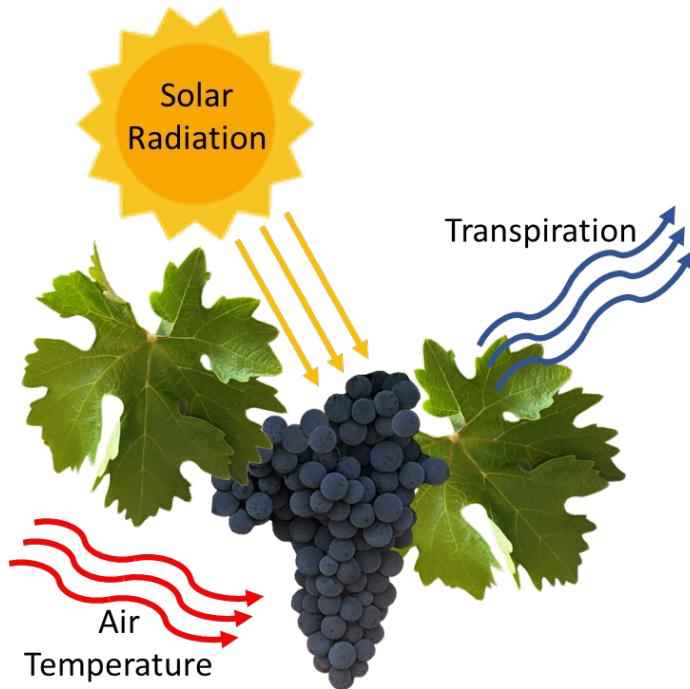
Results from a **combination** of excessive exposure to:

High **light** intensity + **UV** radiation + **Temperature**



Krasnow et al. 2010

# Other stress factors increase severity of overexposure: ex. **water stress**



Thomas et al.  
2014

# Effects on fruit quality

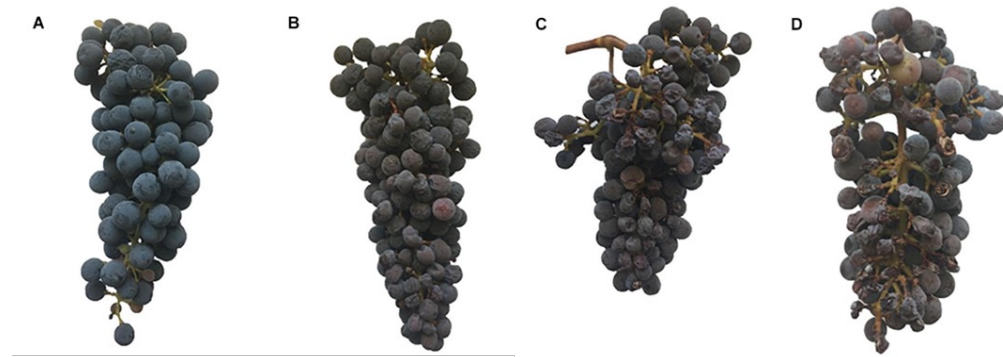
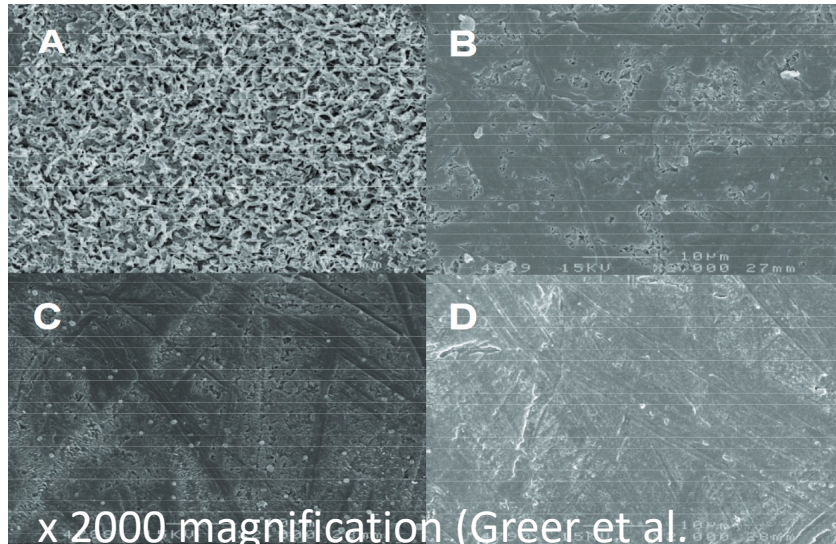
## Degradation of berry skin waxes

leads to

- higher water **permeability**
- **dehydration** of berries/ **loss of yield**
- concentration of sugars

## Degradation of flavonoids results in

- **Reduced fruit quality**
  - poor color
  - Reduced aging potential



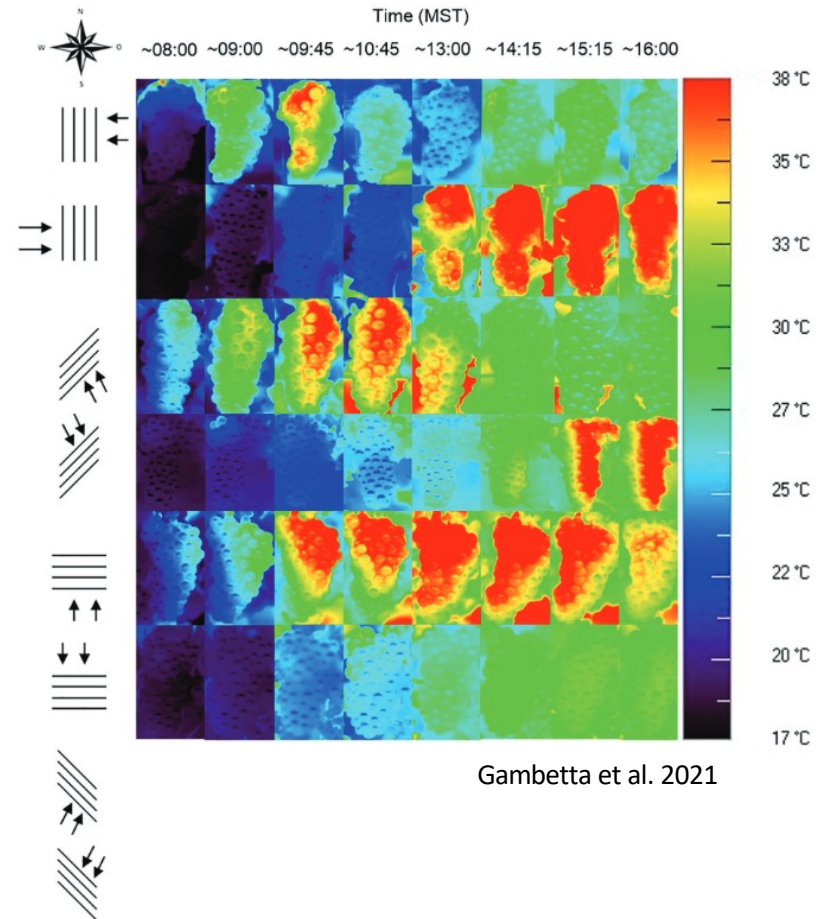
Martínez-Lüscher et al. 2020

(A)Control - no sunburn; (B) slight sunburn; (C) moderate sunburn; (D) severe sunburn



# Row orientation – overexposure risk

Row Direction	Exposure (ratio)	Sunburn risk
N-S	Even (1:1)	Very high (west side)
NE-SW	Somewhat uneven (2:1)	Moderate (NW)
E-W	Maximum uneven (4:1)	High (south side)
NW-SE	Somewhat uneven (2:1)	Extremely high (SW side)



# Mitigating overexposure



Shade nets (Martínez-Lüscher et al. 2020)



Photo selective panels



Photo selective shade films (Marigliano et al. 2022)

# Could trellis design mitigate overexposure?

- Trellis choice influences:
  - Canopy architecture (shoot orientation, openness, density and active leaf area distribution)
  - Microclimate of canopy interior (cluster light exposure, temperature and humidity)

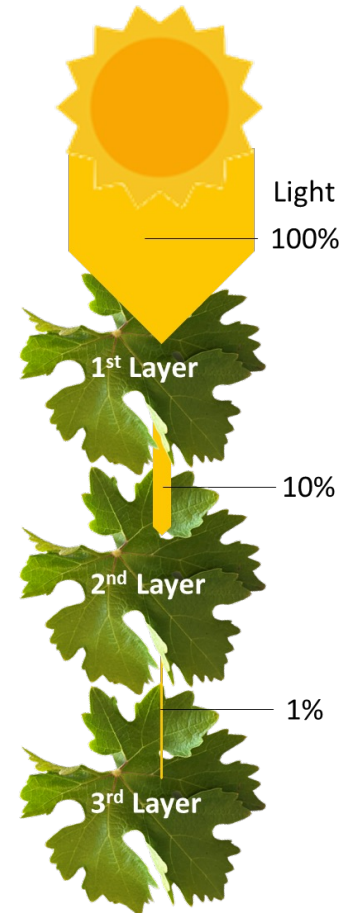
Single high wire



VSP60



High-Quad



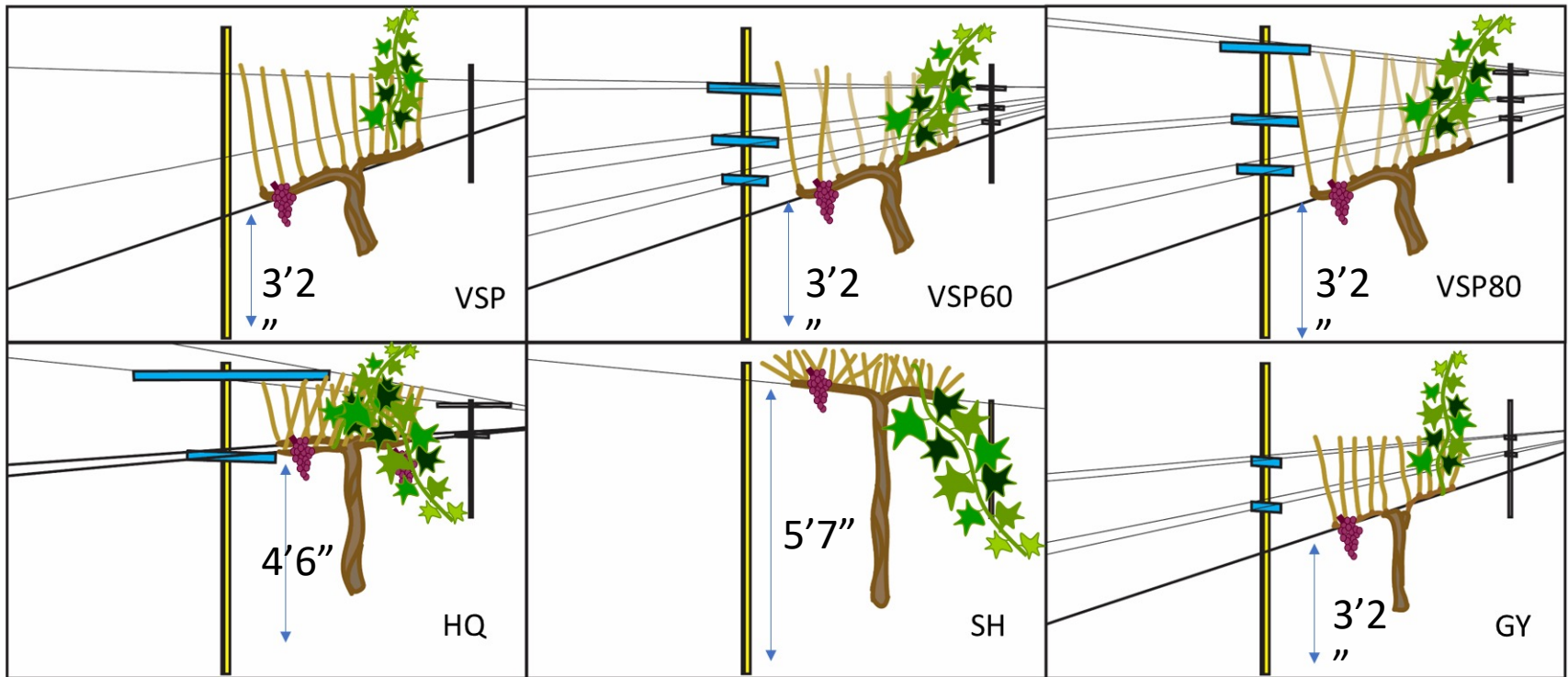


# Experimental conditions

- 2-year study - 2020 & 2021,
- Cabernet Sauvignon /3309C rootstock (*V. riparia* × *V. rupestris*) 2016 planting
- 5 ft x 7 ft spacing (vine x row), row orientation NW-SE



# Trellis systems



**Trellis Systems:** Vertical Shoot Position (**VSP**), Vertical Shoot Position at 60° (**VSP60**), Vertical Shoot Position at 80° (**VSP80**), High Quadrilateral (**HQ**), and Single High Wire (**SH**), Guyot (**GY**)

# Canopy management

**VSPs** and **HQ** - Spur pruned to 2 buds and balanced to 25 shoots (VSPs) after bud break, 50 shoots for HQ

**GY** - Cane-pruned to 2 canes (12 nodes each) with 2 renewal spurs

**SH** - Mechanically box pruned to ~4-inch spurs and shoots thinned by 30% at ~16-inch shoot length

**No leaf or cluster removal** conducted





# Irrigation treatments

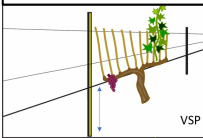
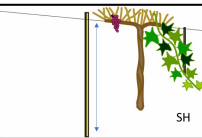
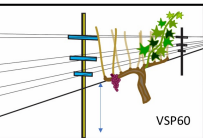
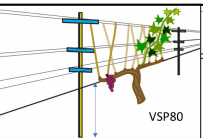
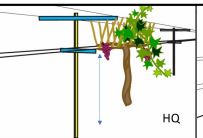
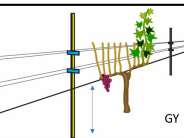
$$ET_c = ET_o \times K_c$$

- $ET_o$  – data from CIMIS (station #77 Oakville)
- $K_c$  calculated using shade cast method (Williams and Ayars 2005)
- Irrigation levels: **25%**, **50%** and **100%**  $ET_c$ 
  - Supplied using 1L/h, 2L/h or 4L/h drip emitters (x2)
- Duration of irrigation based on 100%  $ET_c$



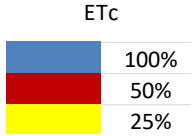
# Experimental layout

- Split block experimental design
- 6 trellis systems, one in each row
- 3 irrigation levels within each row
- 18 treatment combinations per block
- 4 replicated blocks

Row 1	Row 2	Row 3	Row 4	Row 5	Row 6
					
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
3	4	9	10	15	16
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
2	5	8	11	14	17
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
1	6	7	12	13	18
VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY
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Block I

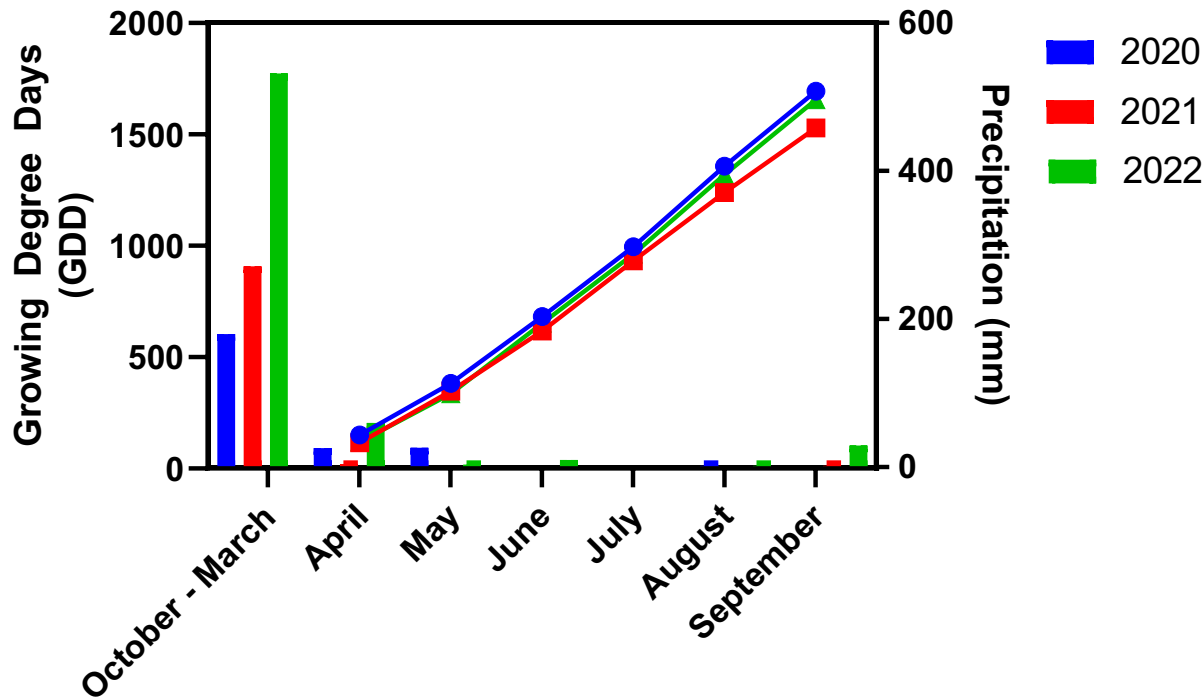
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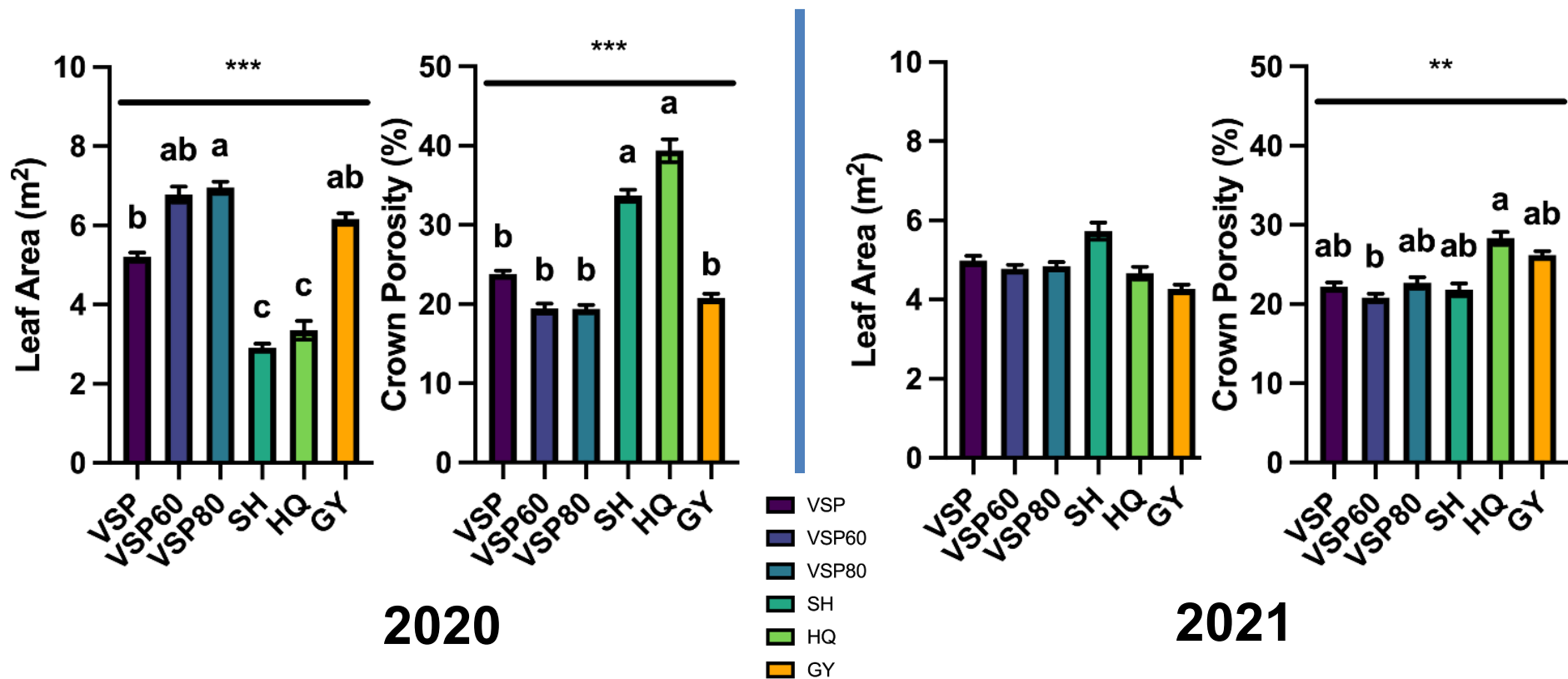
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VSP	SH	VSP60	VSP80	HQ	GY	GY	VSP	SH	VSP80	VSP60	HQ	HQ	VSP	VSP60	SH	GY	VSP80	SH	VSP	HQ	VSP60	VSP80	GY
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3	4	9	10	15	16	21	22	27	28	33	34	39	40	45	46	51	52	57	58	63	64	69	70
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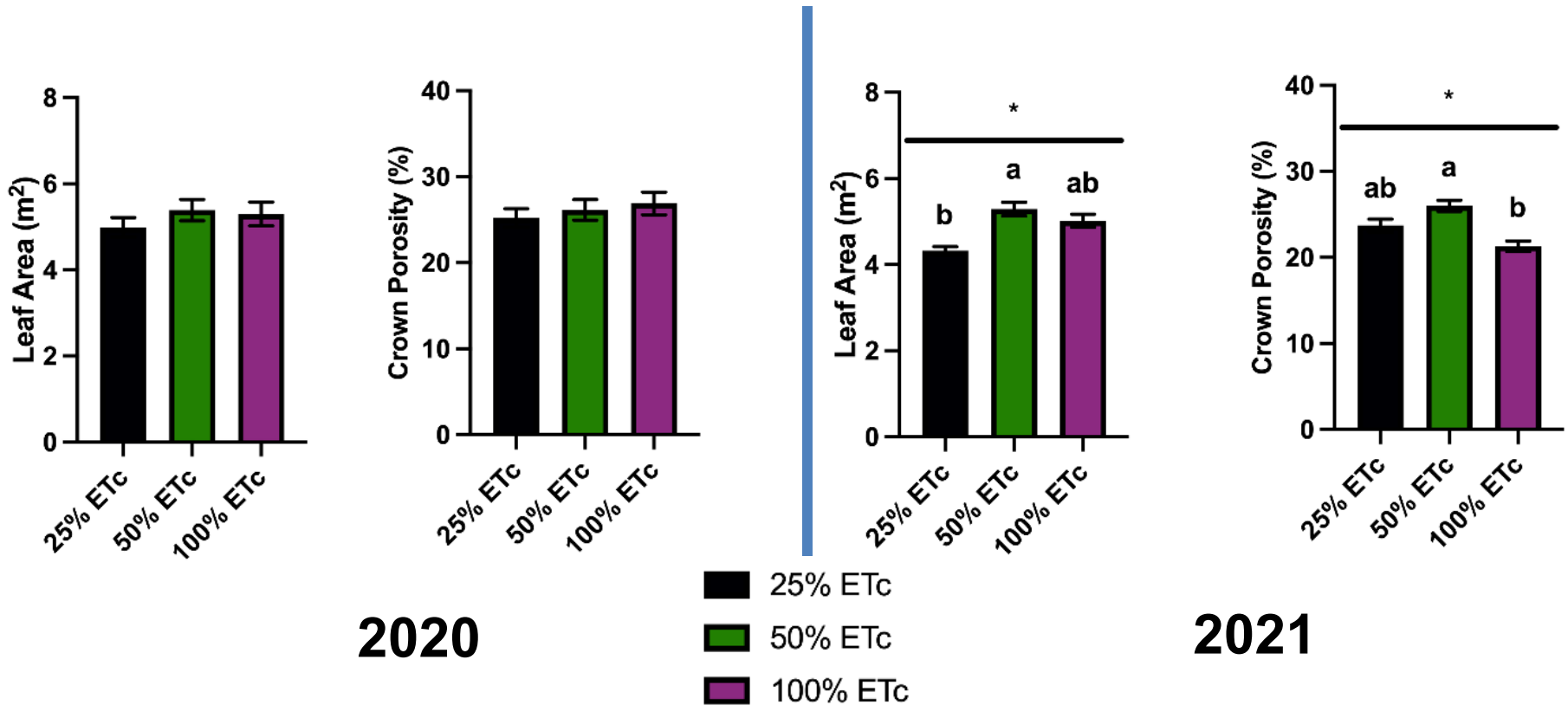
# Weather at UC Oakville Station



# Canopy architecture - trellis

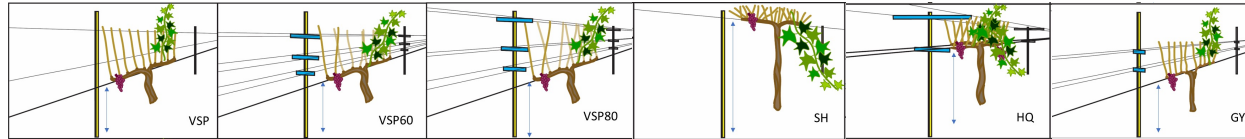


# Canopy architecture - irrigation





# Yield

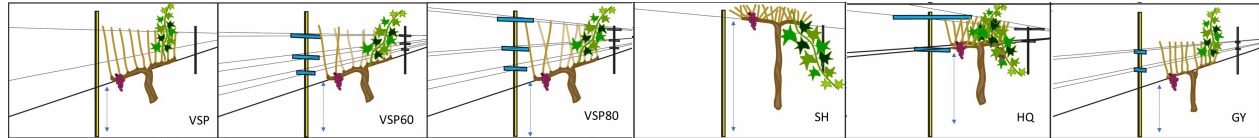


Tons/Acre	VSP	VSP60	VSP80	SH	HQ	GY	p value
2020	5.86ab	5.96ab	4.89b	6.46a	4.89b	5.31b	*
2021	9.37	10.25	9.00	11.25	14.37	9.21	ns

Tons/Acre	25% ET <sub>c</sub>	50% ET <sub>c</sub>	100% ET <sub>c</sub>	p value
2020	4.65b	5.75a	6.29a	**
2021	8.41b	11.91a	11.27a	.

<sup>a</sup> ANOVA to compare data (*p* value indicated); Letters within columns indicate significant mean separation according to Duncan's multiple range test at *p* value < 0.1, where ".": *p* value < 0.05, where "\*": *p* value < 0.05; "\*\*": *p* value < 0.01, "\*\*\*": *p* value < 0.0001. <sup>b</sup> Abbreviations: VSP: vertical shoot positioned; VSP 60: vertical shoot positioned 60°; VSP 80: vertical shoot positioned 80°; SH: single high wire; HQ: high quadrilateral;

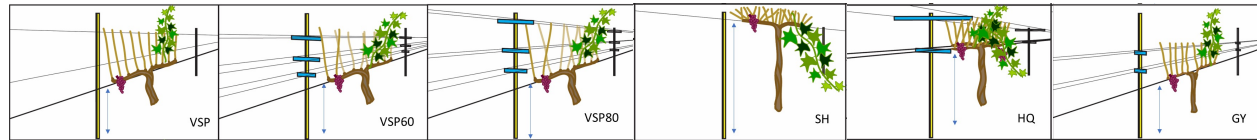
# Berry weight (g)



	VSP	VSP60	VSP80	SH	HQ	GY	p value
<b>2020</b>	0.97a	1.00a	1.01a	0.86b	0.87b	0.97a	**
<b>2021</b>	1.00a	1.03a	1.03a	0.88ab	0.83b	1.03a	**
	25% Et <sub>c</sub>	50% Et <sub>c</sub>	100% Et <sub>c</sub>	p value			
<b>2020</b>	0.83c	0.96b	1.05a	***			
<b>2021</b>	0.88b	0.94b	1.07a	***			

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# Cluster number

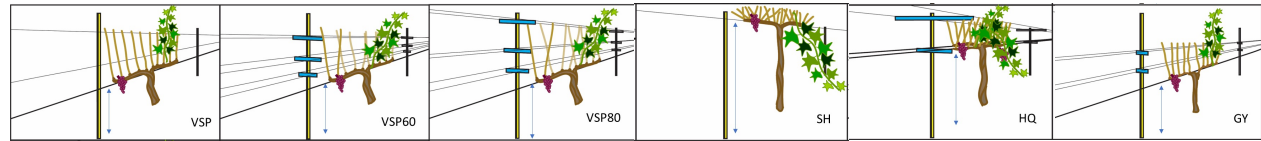


	VSP	VSP60	VSP80	SH	HQ	GY	p value
2020	62.97a	32.39b c	30.36c	62.97a	38.11b	27.67c	***
2021	45.51b	48.86b	44.50b	88.28a	82.61a	39.86b	***
	25% Et <sub>c</sub>	50% Et <sub>c</sub>	100% Et <sub>c</sub>	p value			
2020	35.96	38.04	38.07	ns			
2021	55.94	56.97	62.04	ns			

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# Anthocyanins in berry skins

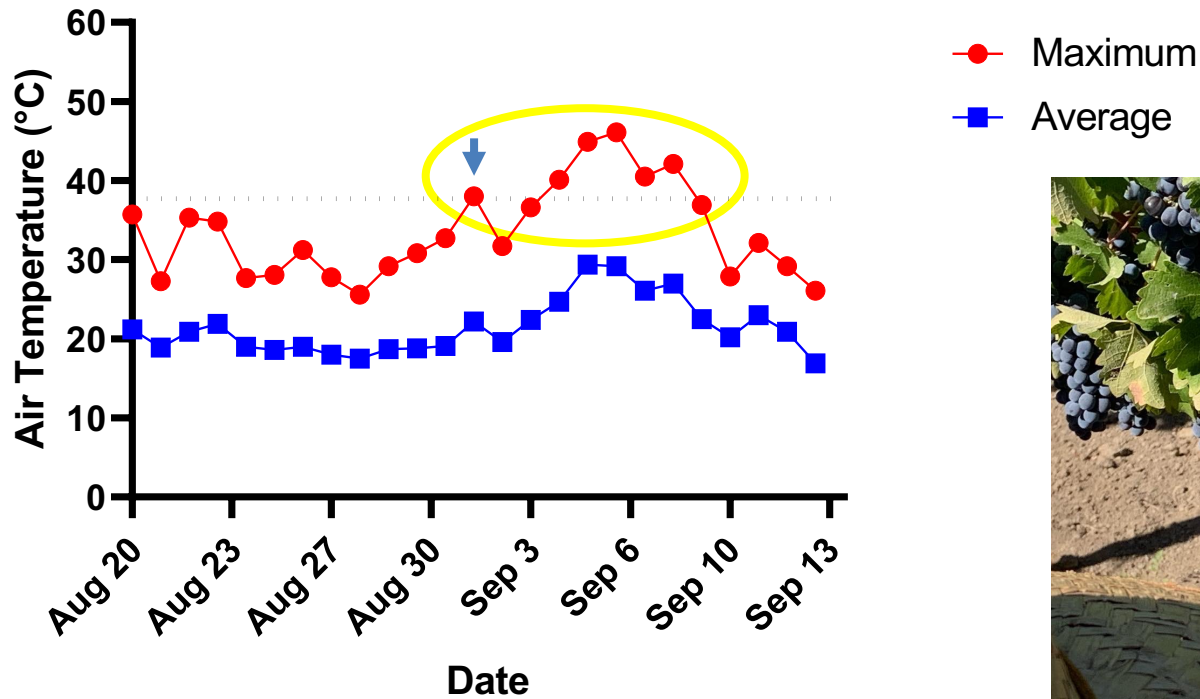


Total Anthocyanins	VSP	VSP60	VSP80	SH	HQ	GY	p value
2020	30.09b	30.87b	34.52b	44.89a	32.73b	32.27b	***
2021	31.4cd	32.8cd	35.17c	51.80a	45.22b	28.46d	***

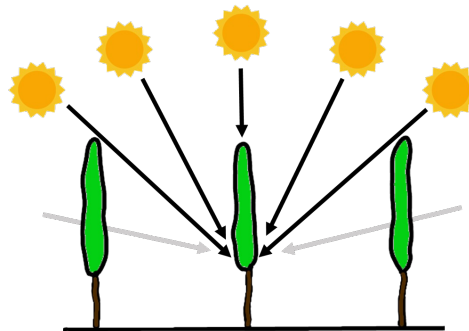
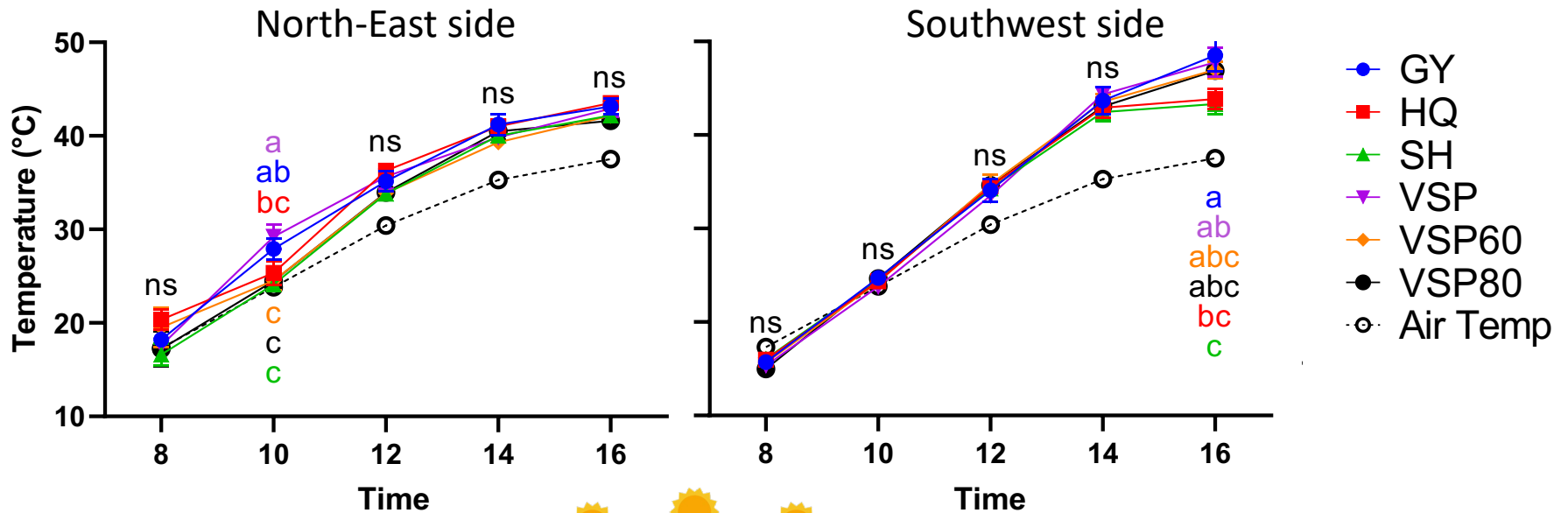
Total Anthocyanins	25% ET <sub>c</sub>	50% ET <sub>c</sub>	100% ET <sub>c</sub>	p value
2020	34.91	35.97	31.81	ns
2021	39.89	38.73	33.85	ns

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# Heat wave – 2022 preharvest



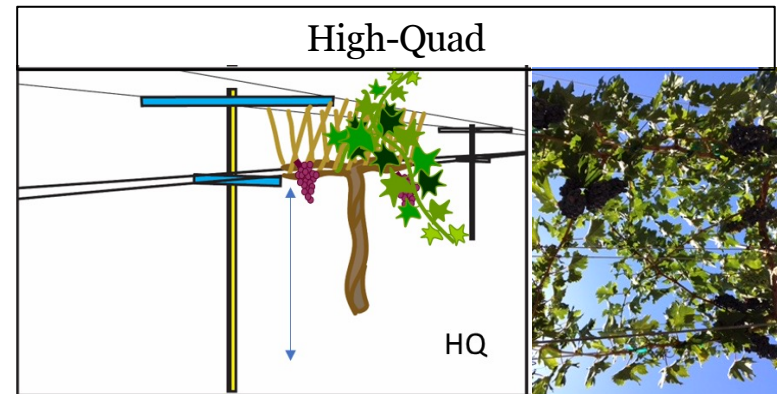
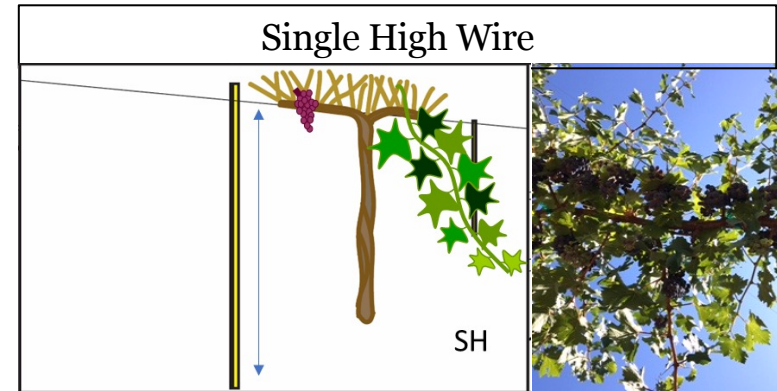
# Cluster temperatures - Sept. 1, 2022





# Study insights - trellis

- **SH** and **HQ** trellis systems promote **yield** and **quality** in a hot climate
  - **Greater anthocyanin** production in berry skins, **more advanced berry ripening** and **less chemical degradation**
- **VSP** and **GY** systems produced canopies which allowed for berry **overexposure** and **anthocyanin degradation** in a hot climate

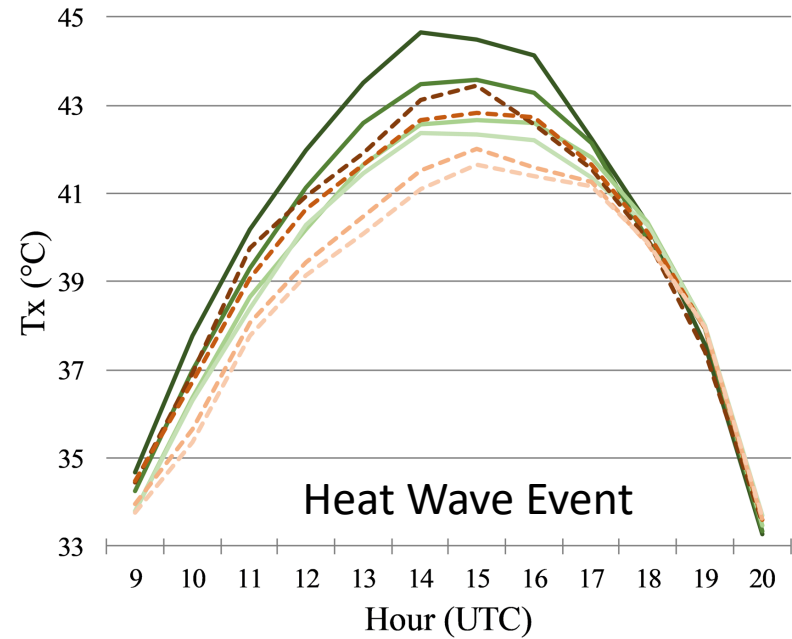
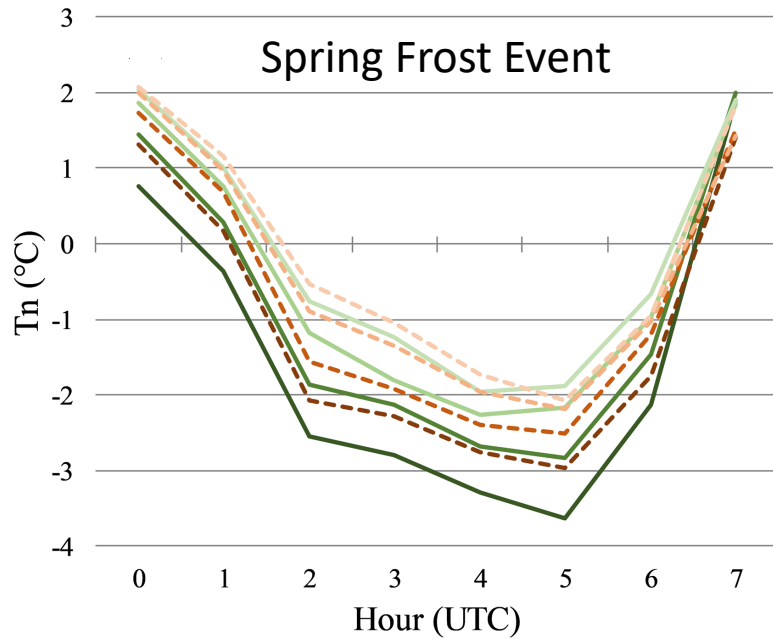


# Study insights - irrigation

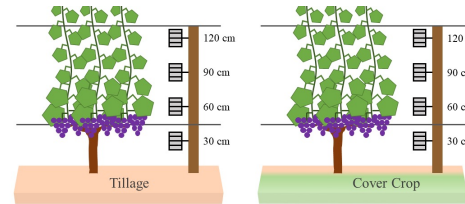
- **Increased** irrigation (50 and 100%  $ET_c$ ) improves plant water status resulting in **heavier berries, clusters, and increased yield**
- **Decreased** irrigation (25%  $ET_c$ ) increases **brix** at harvest (2020) and produces **higher flavonoids** (2021)



# Height effect on temperature extremes



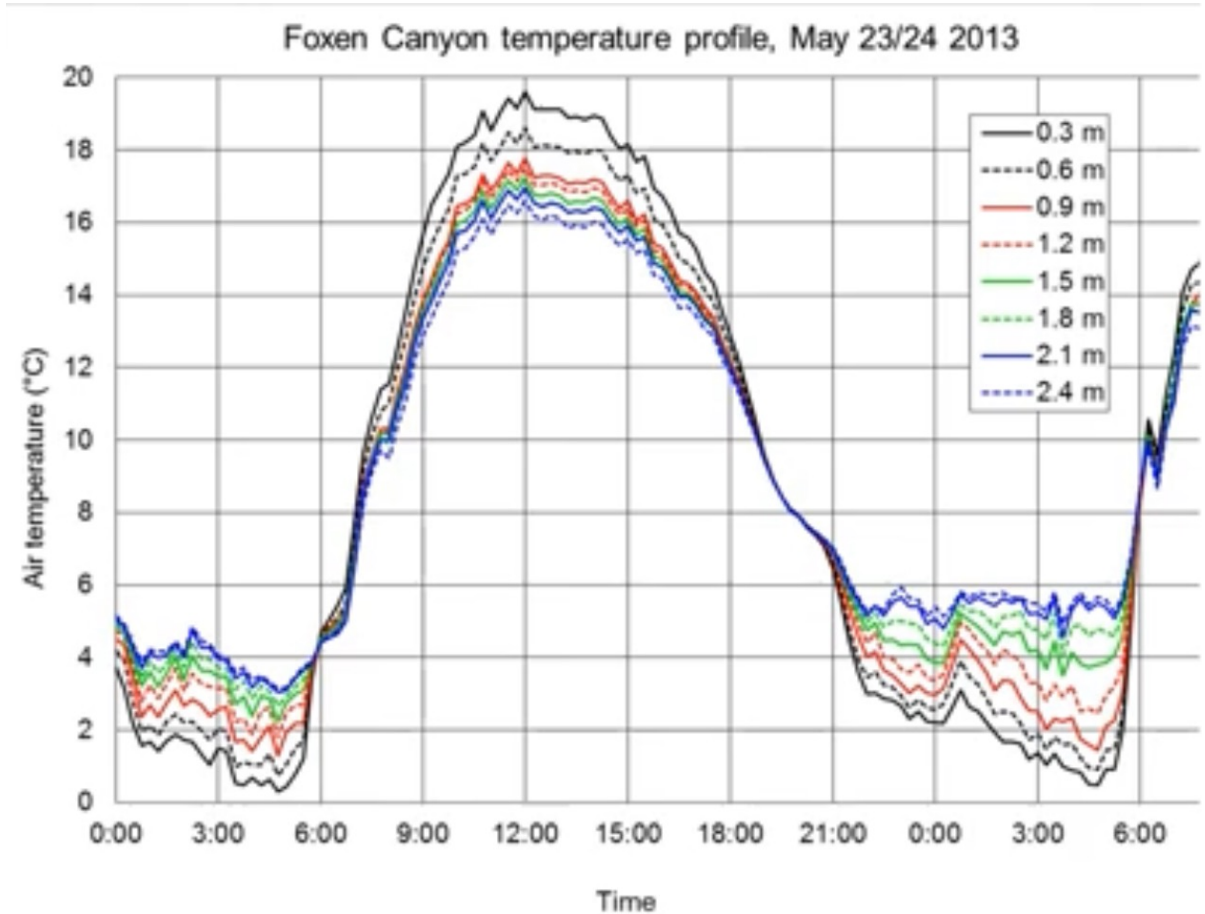
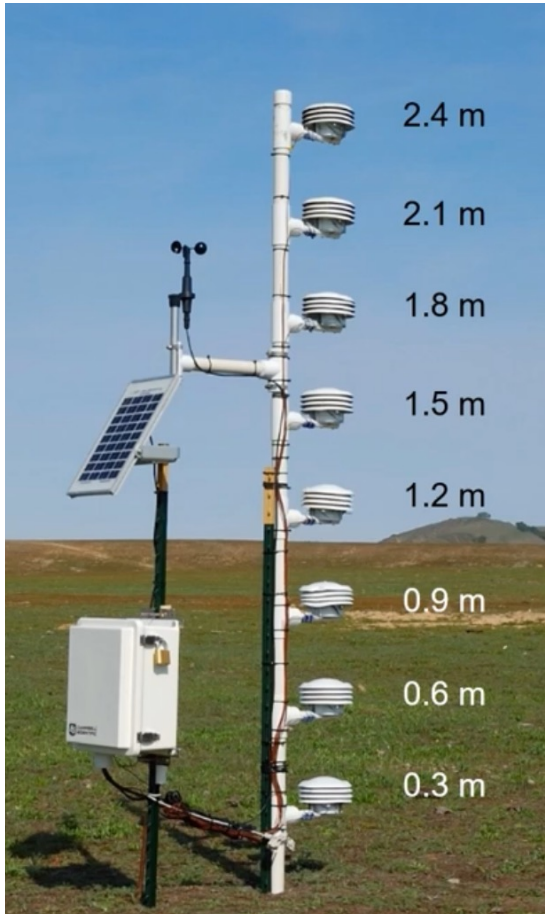
- Till - 30 cm
- Till - 60 cm
- Till - 90 cm
- Till - 120 cm
- CoCr - 30 cm
- CoCr - 60 cm
- CoCr - 90 cm
- CoCr - 120 cm



de Rességuier, Laure, et al. 2023

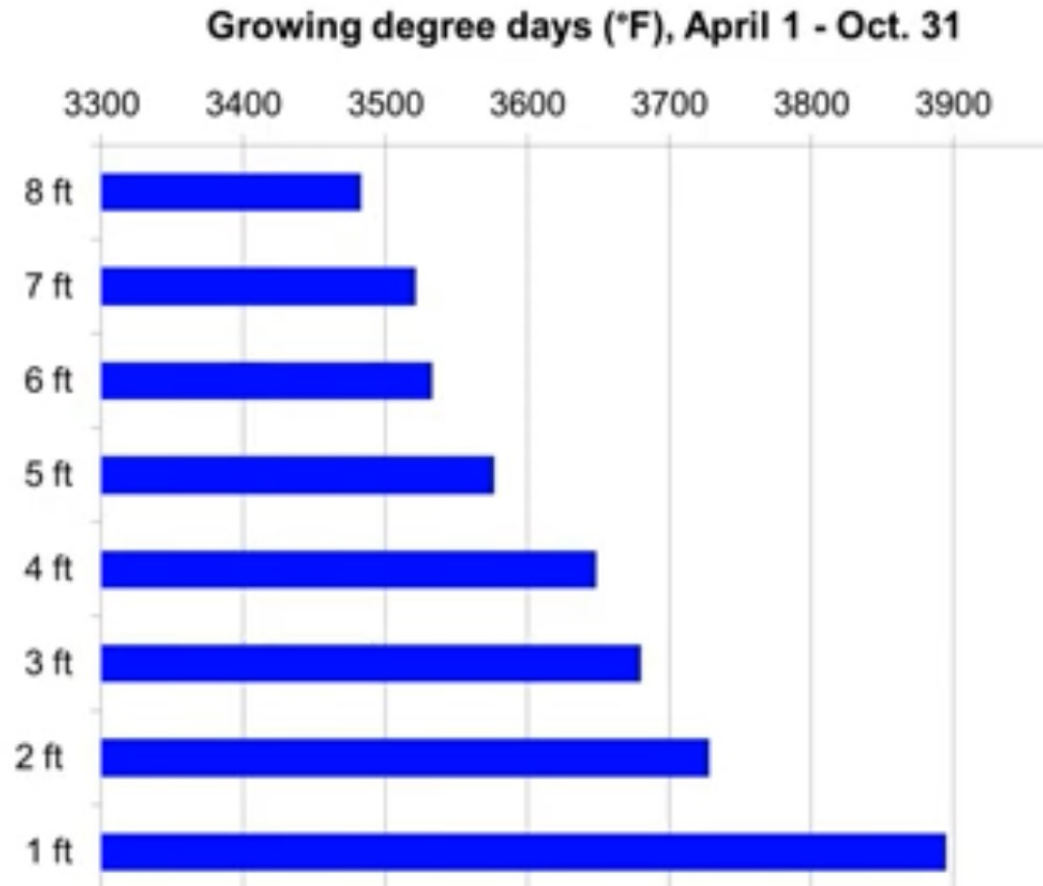
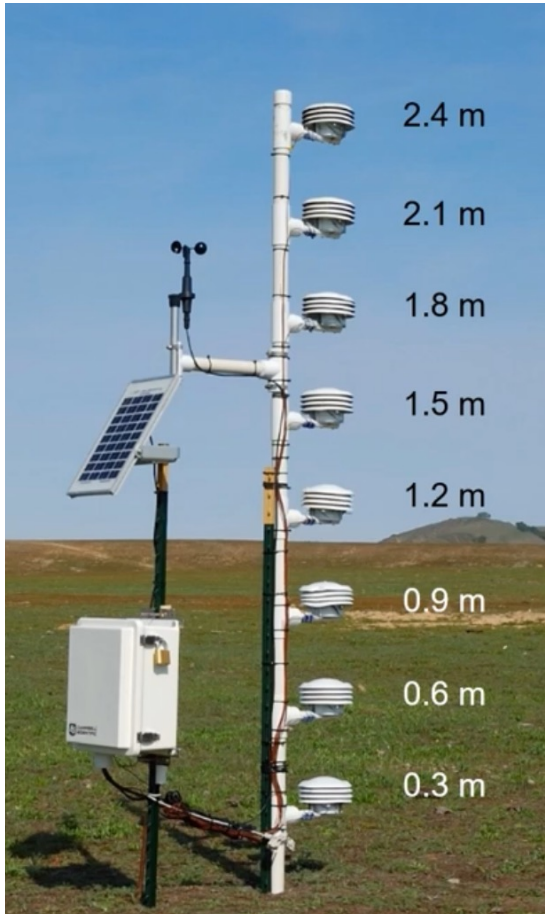


# Air temperature varies by height



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# Seasonal temperature accumulation



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